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SUBJECT: KHALID INTERVIEW

1. HOAGLAND, IN FRONT PAGE MAY 25 WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE WHICH HAS BEEN POUCHED, REPORTS KING KHALID, IN RESPONSE WRITTEN QUESTION, AS SAYING SAUDI ARABIA WOULD CONCEDE ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO EXIST IN ITS PRE-1967 BORDERS IN RETURN FOR TOTAL ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM ARAB LANDS OCCUPIED IN 1967 AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PALESTINIAN STATE. ARTICLE QUOTES KHALID AS FOLLOWS: WE ARE DOING OUR DUTIES VIS-A-VIS ARAB BROTHERS AND WILL ALSO FULFILL OUR OBLIGATIONS TOWARD THE PALESTINIAN STATE, ONCE IT IS ESTABLISHED. AT SUCH TIME WHEN THESE THINGS HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AND ISRAEL HAS WITHDRAWN FROM ALL THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, INCLUDING JERUSALEM, SHE CAN LIVE WITHIN HER 1967 BORDERS. UNQUOTE.

2. HOAGLAND NOTES KHALID'S RESPONSE TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS
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IS SHARP CONTRAST TO STUDIED OFFICIAL AMBIGUITY THAT

FAISAL SPREAD OVER QUESTION OF ARAB COEXISTENCE WITH
ISRAEL.

3. WE HAVE SEEN NO COVERAGE IN FBIS OR ELSEWHERE ON KING'S
REMARKS. PLEASE PROVIDE SAUDI TEXT WHEN AND IF AVAILABLE.
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